Quarterly Report of the TSPC Authorities Subcommittee May 2007

The TSPC Authorities Subcommittee is very encouraged to know that at the SULIG (State University Libraries Interest Group) meeting at FLA on April 12, FCLA announced plans to purchase a new retrospective LC authority file. The new file will be loaded into LCA10 on Aleph Production version 18 and is a part of FCLA's plans to move forward with authorities and linking in LCA10 in version 18. Along with the improved options for authorities and linking in version 18, we hope the purchase of the new file will move us closer to our goal of having a fully updated and functioning authority file in Aleph.

Under the new plan Mary Ann O'Daniel and her OPS assistant, Lynda Preston, will continue to load the weekly subject and series/title updates. She will cease loading any more names updates into LCA10 in version 15.5 because the new LCA10 in version 18 will be current for names, subjects and series/titles. Mary Ann will use the time saved to review indexing in LCA10, to test version 18, and to develop authority reports.

As of May 7, Mary Ann and Lynda had loaded both the series/title and subject updates for week 17 of 2007 (current updates).

Juvenile Headings: In March 2007, Mary Ann and Lynda added \$\$2 [LCCH] to each of the 1xx and 4xx fields in the Children's heading records.

Delete Records: In April 2007 Mary Ann and Lynda added \$\$2 [DELETE RECORD] to each of the 1xx, 4xx and 5xx and COR fields in the Delete records.

The delinking of the juvenile heading and delete records will allow more accurate linking of active LC headings records to bib records. The result will be more accurate cross-references in the online catalog.

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